

SECURITY INFORMATION

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5 March 1952

Chief of Base, Salzburg

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Operational

Cavalier Sources

Reference: WABA 1094

1. We are sending our traces on the Cavalier sources mentioned in the reference, to be held until ☐ turns.

2. Friedrich LACKNER's connections with the Abwehr in Spain are confirmed by information here. Numerous documents dated in 1944 and 1945 mention LACKNER as an important German agent operating in Spain during World War II. One source reported that LACKNER headed Gruppe II, K.O., Malilla, Madrid from at least March 1942 to March, 1943, at which time he was sent to Germany for service in the Brandenburg Regiment. While operating in Malilla, LACKNER ran sabotage agents of Spanish nationality, who were used especially against British shipping. This source reports that LACKNER supposedly returned to Madrid from Germany in 1944. His wife, Helene nee REITHOLD, who was born in Malilla on 9 August 1918, supposedly lived in Cartagena after March 1943.

In August 1944, LACKNER was reported on a list of 50 Germans to be expelled from Spain following an agreement between the German Embassy and Spanish authorities. In October of that year, however, LACKNER was still in Barcelona but was to return to Madrid on 25 October. LACKNER definitely left Spain for Germany by air on 30 October 1944, according to another source.

3. A roster of the 76th Allgemeine SS Standarte, prepared by HIA, Austria and dated 28 May 1945, lists the following on a Friedrich LACKNER:

Unit: Standschulungsbereich 76.  
SS/AF Entry Date: 1931  
Other Organizations: Police, 1 July 1933.  
Born: 21 July 1902 in Dandene bei Salzburg.  
Last known address: Salzburg, Aigen Glas 28.  
Remarks: SS Fuehrer (sic)  
Rank: Untersturmfuehrer.  
SS Entry Date: 9 October 1935.  
Party Number: Unknown

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- c. An interrogation report of Hans-OETTLICH, Commanding Officer of the Jagdverband Gued-Feet, mentions that a LACKNER (aka) was administrative head of the Jagd Verband Mitte of oak and was stationed at Friedenthal, Germany in February 1945. He was about 1.85 meters tall, had brown hair, a healthy complexion, brown eyes and a large nose.
- d. Wilhelm GALTERT, a member of Section III of the SS Jagdverbände, stated during his interrogation that a LACKNER (aka) in SS Obersturmbannführer, was in charge of Section IV of the Jagdverbände until an ORTNER took over. This LACKNER was well acquainted with members of and IV of the sabotage section of the Jagdverbände staff, was about 1.80 m. tall, dark-haired, married and lived in Riechelsberg. When last seen by source in June 1945 he was being held at the discharge camp at Riechelsberg near Riechelsbach where he was recognized as an SS leader.
- e. Another report on the operation and handling of sabotage units under BREITEN, and VI 3, prepared in February 1945, mentions a LACKNER, a Hauptsturmführer, as one of the personalities at Friedenthal. He was about 1.70 m. tall, 40y, with a horseshoe scar on the right cheek. He was about 60 years old at the time.
- f. A ERICH sent on a German LACKNER, an SS Obersturmbanner in the SS Jagdverbände in April 1945 mentions that he lived in Riechelsberg, Riechelsbach, was born about 1911, was about 1.80 m. tall, equilateral, with a round face and brown hair. He was an administrative officer on the SS Jagdverbände Fuhrungsstab and was thought to be in detail on 26 April 1945.
- g. Information on Dr. Ernst SMASH in BKA 602, 7 April 1951, indicates that SMASH, Police Chief of Wiesbaden, is a direct ERICH contact in touch with the ORTNER operation in Voreldorff. A document dated 6 December 1943 mentions that a German named SMASH was one of the Gestapo chiefs in Frankfurt. BKA 450, 11 October 1946, a study of the German Communist Party from 1933-1942, states that a son of the German Social Democrat SMASH, was executed by the KPD for being a Gestapo agent. This arrest took place during a purge within the party at an unspecified date.
- h. JAMES SMITH is mentioned in a SMASH report P/02578, transmitted in BKA 1067. The report for the most part duplicates the information given by Oswald. The SMASH source reports in addition, however, that SMITH was suspected of having connections with the Berlin Presidentialist to which he sent anti-Communist intelligence (aka) from America. SMITH at that time was living in Darmstadt, Weststrasse 59.
- i. As for Walter MOHR, our only information comes from SMASH P/2761, and from Groupmaster 1. We are not attempting to collate all the reports, since they duplicate for the most part the available information. MAY 6867, in January 1951, from Groupmaster 1 states, however, that MOHR is in touch with a Hitler SMITH, a former Germanische Arbeiter who was dismissed in 1945 for his Nazi past and is now supposedly acting as a National League agent in Voreldorff.

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Another Greenpeace 1 report, MAY 2604, 12 February 1951, states that HICKL was instructed by Dir. Julius ROEPPEL in April 1948 to pick up a small package of arms to be shipped from Vienna to the KPOs in Bremen. HICKL was living at Munich 1974.

5. As for Emil KUNTHMANN, our only traces are in previous Oswald correspondence.

6. We have no information on the others listed as Oswald sources.

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